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Diversity Assignment

An experience of diversity in my educational life that stands out to me took place during my freshman year at the University of Rhode Island. Coming from a predominately Caucasian, small town in Connecticut, Being surrounded by people of all backgrounds on campus was a bit of a culture shock. Living on campus introduced me to people of all different religions, ethnicities and upbringings. Going through the public schools in my town did not provide my education with much diversity.

The first year of my college experience opened my eyes to people from all different lifestyles. I met people who came to the study at the University from different countries, individuals who were from a family with same sex parents, and people who grew up in places far different from my hometown. This experience broadened my sense of what this school meant to different people and allowed me to see how different backgrounds such as race and religion affected each of their pasts. These backgrounds are what make everyone different. I am glad I had this experience because growing up in a town where mostly everyone is Caucasian and of the middle class did not provide me with a good view of the diversity in our country.